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From the Director's Desk

This message is being sent by Rear Admiral Samuel P. De Bow, Jr., NOAA via the CPC CyberFlash.

Congratulations!

On October 6, 2004, the Secretary signed 83 commissions evidencing the permanent promotions for the following officers:

To Be Captain:

Jonathan W. Bailey

Timothy B. Wright

Garner R. Yates, Jr.

Steven R. Barnum

Richard S. Brown

Craig N. McLean

Philip M. Kenul

Jon E. Rix

Stephen A. Kozak

To Be Commander:

Andrew L. Beaver

Raymond C. Slagle

John E. Herring

Christopher S. Moore

William B. Kearse

Thomas G. Callahan

Stacy L. Birk-Risheim

Philip S. Hill

Matthew H. Pickett

Guy T. Noll

James S. Verlaque

James R. Meigs

Thomas E. Strong

Christopher A. Beaverson

Carl R. Groeneveld

To Be Lieutenant Commander:

James A. Bunn, II

Anne K. Lynch

Karl F. Mangels

Stephen J. Thumm

Anita L. Lopez

Mark J. Boland

Jeffrey C. Hagan

John K. Longenecker

Debora R. Barr

Michael L. Hopkins

Eric W. Berkowitz

Jon D. Swallow

Joseph A. Pica

Michael J. Hoshlyk

Ricardo Ramos

Gregory G. Glover

Keith W. Roberts

Philip G. Hall

To Be Lieutenant:

Thomas J. Peltzer

Marc S. Moser

Kevin J. Slover

Holly A. DeHart

Jason A. Appler

Kristie J. Twining

Frank K. Dreflak

Benjamin K. Evans

Jeremy B. Weirich

William P. Mowitt

Douglas J. Krause

Nicole M. Cabana

Russel G. Haner

Jonathan B. Neuhaus

Nicholas J. Toth

Andrew A. Hall

Catherine A. Martin

Jeffrey R. Judas

To Be Lieutenant (Junior Grade)

William D. Whitmore

Douglas E. MacIntyre

Sarah L. Dunsford

Sarah K. Mrozek Joshua D. Bauman Katherine R. Peet Michael G. Levine Bryan R. Wagonseller Allison B. Melicharek Jessica M. Futch Earl M. Spencer Jeffrey D. Shoup Hector L. Casanova Amanda M. Bittinger Nicole M. Manning Eric T. Johnson Jasper D. Schaer Jessica E. Daum Amanda M. Middlemiss Natasha R. Davis Luke J. Spence John J. Lomnicky Lundy E. Pixton

Your signed commission will be mailed to you by the end of next week and a copy of your signed commission will be forwarded to the NOAA Corps Payroll Unit to effect the change in your pay.

The Commissioned Personnel Center will be forwarding the remaining names of officers, who have been selected for promotion and approved by the President, as vacancies on the lineal list become available. CPC will forward the permanent appointment package to the Secretary next week.

We have just witnessed the proper appointment and promotion process. The process included the forwarding of the nomination package from the Officer Personnel Board to the Secretary. Prior to submission to the Secretary, the package was vetted through the NOAA Workforce Management Organization and Office of General Counsel, the Department of Commerce Human Resource Office and Office of General Counsel, the White House, and received the advice and consent of the Senate. It takes time to effect these actions properly and if it were not for the support and effort of the leaders of the Department and NOAA, we would have missed the last opportunity to promote officers this year.

The Commissioned Personnel Center is working with the Chair of the Officer Personnel Board to schedule promotion board meetings in anticipation of vacancies on the active duty lineal list. In the future, the entire process should appear seamless to all officers. We must all be cognizant of the fact that the time required to effect an appointment or promotion may take an entire year for some of the officers on the appointment or

promotion list. This is not a new procedure, but one that will be followed to the letter of the law and mirrors the procedures followed by the other Uniformed Services.

Final Note:

This marks the end of a very challenging period for the NOAA Corps. You have my personal assurance that proper promotion procedures are in place. They will be followed to prevent this from ever happening again.

When an officer demonstrates that every action is based on duty and the right thing to do, and that no personal gain is the reason for the action, people will follow willingly. Integrity includes personal courage. You have demonstrated that integrity as you patiently waited for your promotion to be effected. I appreciate the manner in which you have conducted your business and personal life during these difficult times. Wear your new rank proudly...you have earned it.

Rear Admiral Samuel P. De Bow, Jr., NOAA Director, NOAA Corps

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